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LOST—This a.m. in the plaza, pair gold bow glasses. Please return to Hickox & Hixson.

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WANTED—A boy or girl for general housework. Apply at 407 Mesa avenue.

WANTED—A white girl for general housework in a family of two. Address P. O. box 107, El Paso.

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FOR RENT—Furnished rooms, 405 North El Paso street.

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FOR RENT—Elegantly furnished rooms, in suite or single. The Nations Building, 214 San Antonio St.

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**FOR SALE.**  
FOR SALE—Dr. McMillan's famous Orange Blossom by Mrs. A. M. Smith, 125 Leon street.

FOR SALE—Lots on monthly payments by R. F. Hammett, agent Campbell Real Estate company.

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Hot cakes at Smith's Creamery.  
Good eating at Smith's Creamery.

El Paso Steam Laundry, Telephone No. 47.  
O'Brien Coal Co., sell pitch, paper, lime, cement, plaster, etc.

Pitch, paper, plaster and lime. El Paso Fuel Co. Phone 110.

Ask for "EL PASO TRANSFER," the best 5 c. CIGAR on the market.

The best Mexican and Havana cigars are made by the El Paso Cigar Mfg. Co.

Stoves of all kinds for hard and soft coal.

**MOMSEN & THORNE.**  
Oysters are fine now. They are served in nice style at Smith's Creamery day or night.

Payne-Badger Coal company, McArthur, Carrillos and anticarbo coal, cord and stove wood, yard Second and Chihuahua streets. Telephone No. 11.

Good times have come to those whom Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured of scrofula, catarrh, dyspepsia, rheumatism, weak nerves, or some other form of impure blood.

Hood's Pills are the only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla. Easy and yet efficient.

**Will be Maniacs or Wrecks.**  
NEW YORK, December 10.—The six day bicycle race here, which ends tomorrow has reached an exciting point today. The speed of the leaders has been enormous and all records are broken. If some of the riders do not become raving maniacs by tomorrow night they will be physical wrecks for ever after, due to the terrible strain.

At 9 o'clock this morning Miller, the leader, seems to have the race in hand, having 1650 miles to his credit. He is a slight with ashen face and quivering limbs. Rice and Rivers are struggling for second place. Schilling is strong in the fourth place this morning, but Ted Hale was fast pulling up. The track was reported nearly three hundred feet short today by examining engineers.

The score at 2 p. m. stood: Miller 1761; Rice 1690; R. v. river 1678; Schiller 1621; Moore 1495; Waller 1551; Hale 1507; Elkes 1419; Goldner 1400.

**Brewing Trouble.**  
WASHINGTON, December 10.—The president's message has not been referred to the senate and is still lying upon the table. The administration's opponents are waiting for the republicans to make a move and will give them reasonable time, but if nothing is done next week it is understood that it is the purpose of several silver senators to bring up incidentally several subjects of the message. Then it is said a very lively debate will commence.

**Elks New Ritual.**  
GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., December 10.—At the last session of the grand lodge of the order of Elks at Minneapolis a committee was appointed with George R. Perry of this city as chairman to revise the ritual. It has completed its task and tonight the new ritual will have its first exemplification in Daisy Lodge. The grand officers and state deputies from many parts of the country will be in attendance.

**To Cure a Cold in One Day.**  
Take Luxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure.

## POTATOES...

CLEAN,  
SMOOTH,  
MEDIUM  
SIZE.

Not an Ounce of Dirt in a Sack

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ARE without doubt the finest Potatoes grown. We have just unloaded the first car of this variety ever brought to El Paso. Every family should have a sack in the house.

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## Christmas

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Well, come to us and we are sure you can find something nice for one half what you expected to pay, and save yourself all the trouble of "looking around." We have the largest stock and lowest prices ever before seen in El Paso.

**GEO. W. HICKOX & HIXSON.**

"The Jewelers."  
Bronson Block, III San Antonio Street, El Paso, Texas.

### School Board Meeting.

The El Paso board of education met yesterday afternoon pursuant to adjournment at the Central school building, with these members present: President Race, Treasurer Foster, Secretary Pew, and Messrs. Blacker, Martin, Shelton, Harper, Magoffin and Supt. Putnam.

The chair said the meeting was to hear the report called for from City Attorney Judge Kemp as to the board's legal existence, and the right of the treasurer to disburse funds. Secretary Pew then read the opinion, as follows:

I consider from an investigation of the authorities that the school trustees and the secretary and treasurer of the board are officers de facto (if they are not officers de jure) that their acts cannot be questioned collaterally, and that in the interest of the public and their parties, under the present status of school matters, it is both their right and duty to proceed in the exercise of their functions in the regular manner, and course heretofore pursued under your rules. Respectfully,

WYNDHAM KEMP,  
Attorney

President Race stated that prominent members of the local bar had advised him to let matters remain in statu quo until after the decision of the supreme court. Moreover there were citizens of means willing to stand financially by the school system in the way of guaranteeing the payment of salaries for the ensuing sixty days without charge for the use of the money.

Mr. Martin here asked Treasurer Foster if he still hesitated about disbursing the fund in the usual way.

To this Mr. Foster replied Judge Kemp responds to but one of the questions propounded by the board, but the other addresses itself to the discretion of the body. The main question is, are we a legal body. It is a serious question whether or no, the trustees are de facto officers. If the board has been properly organized, then the officers are unquestionably de jure officers. As a member of the board I am willing to assume this risk in conjunction with the others, and if my bondmen do not object, I will pay out money as the board direct. If the members of the board will join in assuming the liability. My bondmen were not expected to take such chances when my bond was opposed. There is a way to obviate such questions. If finances can remain just as they are until all questions are settled, and friends will furnish money to carry on the schools.

Secretary Pew said that the president and secretary were as much responsible for the funds as the treasurer.

Judge Harper said, as far as I am concerned, I think it would be well to rescind the order of last meeting, unless resources for the payment of salaries appear, without coming directly through the school board. The judge moved that the motion made by him at the last meeting be rescinded. This motion was seconded and the matter thrown open for discussion. The judge said: The board's being de facto or de jure is a question and one which lawyers do not agree upon. We are either actual officers or else in no sense officers. The teachers will be doubtful as to their salaries unless assured they will receive their pay. But people who advance money for the salaries must take the risk of getting their money back. Perhaps the new school board may not have the power to pay off outstanding indebtedness. Either stop the schools or pay the money from cash now on hand.

Mr. Pew held that what should be paid was the warrant issued before the recent decision of the appellate court. We would proceed on the hypothesis that the decision will be sustained in the highest court. The money we have comes from the city direct.

Mr. Foster said, we have an election pending and our status may become legal and unquestioned without the action of the courts, by the approaching election, and any supposed defects in our system be wiped out. The new board will be legally authorized to administer on the schools.

Judge Blacker did not think the teachers were worrying; and Mr. Pew advised to pay up the old warrants as soon as we get the money. Supt. Putnam thought that if the teachers

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NEW DILL PICKLES.  
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NEW PICKLED PEPPER HASH  
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We carry a full line of Bottled Goods of Pickles and Relishes of all kinds.

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From now until X-mas, Open every night until 9 o'clock.

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Below is given a partial list of appropriate Xmas presents for any member of your family.....

Bl-que Frames  
Bronze Ware  
Blaque and Fine Glass  
Aromizers  
Celluloid Goods  
Cut Glass Ink Wells  
Cut Glass Dishes  
Fancy Pens  
Fancy Picture Frames  
Flower Vases  
Gold Pens  
Hand Painted Plaques  
Jewel Cases  
Lap Pads  
Marble Sets  
Medallions  
Paper Knives  
Fountain Pens  
Sterling Silver Vintagettes  
Willow Waste Baskets  
Statuettes  
Sterling Silver Hair Curlers  
Sterling Silver Manicure Sets  
Sterling Silver Nail Polishes  
Tobacco Cases  
Vases all kinds  
Writing Desks

....Holiday line of Perfumes and Sachet Powders....  
Handsome line of Holiday Books of all kinds. DOLLS and TOYS of every description and price.



**WEST TEXAS SADDLERY CO.,**  
Cor. Oregon and Overland Sts.  
EL PASO - TEXAS.

### Wedding Ideas.

The girls have got an idea into their heads this season that it is not at all "the thing" to have a long string of bridesmaids waiting up the aisle before them when they go to the altar to be married. The chic thing now is to have a maid of honor only.

At three of the largest weddings this autumn the bride will have no bridesmaids. Her maid of honor will be her only attendant.

The reason for this sudden change is that it has been proved a very difficult matter for the girls to choose among their own relations, the cousins of their fiancé, and other intimate friends, without having more bridesmaids than were either necessary or consistent with the occasion.

A girl who is really "one of the girls" and a great favorite, and so fond of all her friends that she could not possibly decide upon any six or eight of them for bridesmaids, is to be married soon. She will have for her maid of honor a girl who is a friend of her fiancé and herself alike.

The bride's gown will be of heavy ivory satin with old lace, a gift from her mother, and her veil, caught with orange blossoms, will be tulle. Her maid of honor will be dressed entirely in pale pink, with a large picture hat of black velvet and plumes, and she will carry a huge bunch of American beauty roses. There will be a large reception at her mother's house afterwards, and her mother will give her away to her father being dead. The floral decorations of this wedding are to be exceptionally pretty, and will prove the good taste of the bride, as it was she who chose them. The drawing-rooms and dining-room adjoining, where the collation will be served, will be entirely hung with garlands of smilax and white chrysanthemums. Large bouquets will be tied here and there at distances on the wall, and the ceiling will be so arranged with strings of smilax as to form a perfect bower of green and white. At the entrance of the first drawing-room will be an archway of palms, where the bride and groom will receive at one side. Here they will stand under a marriage-bell suspended from a bower of palms and smilax.—Harp's Bazar.

### Was From Texas.

CREED, Col., December 10.—Ardeen Hamilton of a disreputable house, during last night, shot and killed Kate Cassidy, one of her girls, during a quarrel. The woman was arrested this morning. The real name of the murderer is Mrs. Joseph Hamilton and she came here from Texas recently.

### Wanted to Kill More.

GREENSBORO, Ga., December 10.—H. Nesbit, colored, was hanged this morning. He had killed nine negroes and said on the scaffold that if he could get loose he would kill nine more.

### Negro Murderer Lynched.

WESSON, Miss., December 10.—Charles Jones, the negro who murdered Mrs. Beart and her four children, was captured and lynched by the infuriated mob.

Abilene has stepped into the front ranks in educational lines now that she has added the kindergarten department to her city public schools. We hope to see the day when this shall be a feature in every public school.—P. V. News.

The famous letter S curve on the Santa Fe near San Miguel is to be changed into a straight line. Curves never were much of an improvement to tangents.

The Boston Bloomers disbanded at Fort Worth, and have gone to Boston.

The new union passenger station at Fort Worth will cost \$175,000.

The race track at Washington park was finished up this afternoon and everything is being put in readiness for the Christmas races.

Smith's creamery. Open all night.

Beet sugar pays; and a second factory is to be erected in Utah.

C. H. Chandler, wife and daughter, arrived from Chicago yesterday, and are guests of Mrs. A. G. Ames. They will leave on Tuesday for California.

Remember we have the finest stock of watches in El Paso. All sizes and grades, in nickel, silver, filled and gold, at prices which will make you buy.

SILBERBERG BROS.  
"No trouble to answer questions."

## Dry Goods Exclusively

NOW THAT I HAVE CLOSED OUT MY GROCERIES, WISH TO STATE THAT HEREAFTER I CAN SHOW THE PUBLIC A STOCK OF DRY GOODS, WELL SELECTED AND BOUGHT RIGHT; IN PRICES, QUALITY AND QUANTITY UNSURPASSED IN THE CITY.

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**Max Schutz's Department Store,**  
110 E. Overland St.



Capes and jackets at cost. Diamond's clothing store.

Beige's art parlors is the place to go for X-mas photos.

Carrillos coal, wood & feed. El Paso Fuel Co. 411 Santa Fe St.

Holiday presentation books at Dellquest & Andrews' book store.

Billy Thompson at Smith's creamery at night makes a fine oyster stew.

O'Brien Coal Co. "Cerrillos Coal Yard." Stove wood and kindling. Tel. 8.

The Presbyterian church held a successful Bazaar last night. They took in \$180.

Dolls, toys and holiday goods of every description at the China Palace 211 San Antonio St.

Christmas goods are beginning to arrive and in a few days the stores will be brilliant with the displays.

Beautiful cottage dinner sets, \$4.50. Parlor lamps \$1.00. China Palace 211 San Antonio St.

Smith's Creamery is in charge of Billy Thompson at night. Billy knows how to serve oysters.

Have you seen these combination canes and umbrellas for gentlemen? The latest thing out.

GEO. W. HICKOX & HIXSON.

A large quantity of military equipments have been passing through for the City of Mexico from the Ohio manufactures.

Photos! Photos! Before you have your X-mas photos made, call at Burge's art parlors, inspect work and get prices. 212-214 Santa Fe street.

A big Mexican opera company passed through today en route to Sonora. They have a big wagon loaded of properies and various and sundry other things.

You will find it to your advantage when in need of an undertaker or embalmer to call on Ross & Co. 401 El Paso street. Phones 211 or 183. Office always open.

Seven car loads of "knocked down" wagons have just passed through this city for the Mexican army. This is the first shipment of this kind known to be made.

We have an immense stock of sterling silver manufactured by the Gorham Mfg. Co. Everybody knows there is nothing better made.

GEO. W. HICKOX & HIXSON.

Heavy frosts have just visited Texas from the south part of the state on the Gulf. The second crop of vegetables has been killed off, and much damage done to cotton.

Oysters for everybody, 10 cents a dozen. As good as money can buy in every respect.

GEORGE ROLLER, Prop., 306 El Paso street.

DIED—At 10:45 this morning, the infant girl of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Moore, aged 1 year and 3 months. This is the second affliction by way of losing children that this family have been called upon to bear in the past week.

Handsome sterling silver mounted French briar pipes. Any smoker would certainly appreciate one of these. Just think whether it will be father, husband or brother.

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The cullud 400 of El Paso is mightily stirred up over a divorce complication in today's district court. The complication involved is Daisy Andrews vs. Richard Andrews, and Richard Andrews vs. Daisy Andrews.

A fine photo of one's self is a dainty present. Why not have a dozen of Bushong and Feldman's best and you will have that many presents. They are awarded bronze medal this year after finest portrait work at New York, hence you may be sure of something fine.

Have you seen our assortment of pearls? Well you should, and learn the prices on them. One of these pieces make a very desirable present for a gentleman.

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The piles have been driven for the bridge over the canal at the El Paso Southern grade, and the bridge proper will be built in a few days. The accumulation of river bridge material has begun at the south end of the fill, and bridging over the aqueduct is going on over the river. A steam pile driver will be run down to the bank as soon as the north side embankment is track-d, and the work vigorously pushed. There can be no connection made with the Santa Fe spur until Supt. Hurly is heard from.

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A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. 40 YEARS THE STANDARD

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"No trouble to answer questions."

A. M. Davis & Co., of New York City and Mexico, have reopened their branch house at El Paso under the management of T. H. Mortman, for the purchase of wool, hides and skins.

Mining location notices for sale at the HERALD job office.

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